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Via ECFS
Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, S.W.
Washington, D.C. 20554

**Re: In the Matter of Petition of USTelecom for Forbearance Pursuant to
47 U.S.C. Section 160(c); WC Docket No. 18-141; Category 1**

Dear FCC,

I have been a customer of Sonic.net for a number of years. I chose them for their terrific service, excellent employees, and their dedication to the privacy of their users.

Competitive broadband is critical. I'm deeply distrustful of the "major players" -- the telephone and cable companies that have dominated this field forever.

As a residential customer, I depended on Sonic's ability to use unbundled copper for their DSL service, and now that they have laid a lot of last-mile fiber, I still need them to have access to inter-city fiber transport elements (UNEs) to make my service work.

Please protect local providers, and don't just hand this industry over to the big players.

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